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FIXATION

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action currently outstanding
with respect to the above-identified patent application, please
amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel claims 1, 3-7 and 9-17 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 8 as follows:

B' 8. (Amended) An apparatus for fixing a ligament or tendon
in a bone tunnel comprising a jamming retainer adapted to retain
the ligament or tendon, said jamming retainer being
substantially rigid, and said jamming retainer having a recess
adapted to complement a shape of the ligament or tendon.

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